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Palace green with envy over conduct of US polls

By John L. Johnson

MALABON—It's hard to imagine what a day George W. Bush and his wife, Laura, would have had if they had been in Manila for the presidential election.



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PNP to build mosque in Camp Crame

By Christine E. Esguerra

OFER LIGERO in Cebu, they will soon find themselves in a similar situation. In the case of Ligero, it's the fact that he is a Muslim and a member of the PNP.

Day of tears for victor, vanquished

Kerry decided it wasn't worth dividing country any longer

WASHINGTON—After John Kerry's unexpected win over George W. Bush in the US presidential election, the day was filled with tears and emotions.

In a rare public display of emotion, Kerry and his wife, Teresa, were seen embracing each other in a moment of joy. The day was also marked by the sound of fireworks and the sight of people celebrating the victory.

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TWO GOODFRIENDS: John Kerry and George W. Bush embrace after the election.

Moral values won the vote

Leaders anxious but hail Bush win

MANILA—At press, disapproval and pragmatic acceptance greeted the election victory of US President George W. Bush.

President Macapagal-Arroyo personally hailed the US President's victory. She said that the Philippines would continue to work with the US in the future.



Catholics, Protestants rally round 'Dubya'

WASHINGTON—A pro-life rally in support of President George W. Bush was held in the US capital. The rally was attended by thousands of people, including many Catholics and Protestants.

It was the first time since the election that the Philippines had a day of mourning.

FAMILY, traditions, religion, beliefs, and moral values were the main themes of the day. The day was also marked by the sound of fireworks and the sight of people celebrating the victory.

Anat in coma in Paris hospital

PARIS—Doreen Anat, a 30-year-old woman, is in a coma in a Paris hospital. She was found unconscious on the street in the city of Paris.

Apec meet to test GMA skills at mending RP-US ties

By Kenneth Duran

THE REJECTION of President George W. Bush's new trade policy has led to a meeting between the Philippines and the US to discuss the situation.

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DOUBLE EXPOSURE

That's incredible, says opposition

OPPOSITION leaders in Congress greeted President Maanagay-Arroyo's declaration that the country was recovering from a fiscal crisis with disbelief and skepticism.

House Minority Leader Francis Tangkay said Arroyo's announcement that the fiscal crisis was over three months after the government is only proved that she had received in debts to justify her eight-year administration.

He doubted the government was able to pull off the "miraculous" feat from a crisis.

Senator Minority Leader Aquilino Pimental II, longed off the President's optimistic assessment, saying such an economic problem continues to surface.

"That the President has done that is the economic problem that we have. The economic problem is not because of the government's failure and foreign debt, or because of the government's failure to pay its bills," he said.

He said the people should continue supporting the economic recovery as long as they may be implemented next year.

Sen. Rodolfo Tuazon, Committee Chair for the House of Representatives, said he would not believe the President's declaration that the fiscal crisis was over until he saw the government's economic recovery and the "bitter pill" of higher taxes, higher prices and security measures in public offices.

It's no longer a crisis, GMA says of RP woes

By GIC Cabanogian Jr.

PREZIDENT Maanagay-Arroyo yesterday declared that although the country still has a fiscal problem, its situation does not constitute a "fiscal crisis" as she had warned in September because the "revolution" was under way.

"I would no longer call it a crisis. The situation is that of a medium-term fight against poverty and to give our economy," she said.

The President said in a broadcast morning news program that the country was now recovering from the fiscal crisis.

"We are continuing the fiscal crisis from within the government and there is definitely no solution to the larger economic and political arena," she stressed, explaining, "reducing our expenses is a real task that we have to do."

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Probers flying to US to get dope on Garcia

By Arnold N. Resano

THE OFFICE of the Ombudsman has hired a team of investigators to fly to the United States next week to gather intelligence on alleged assets and other information on Sen. Juan Garcia and his family.

Ombudsman Merito Almonte, who is also a family attorney, said he is leading the team. The team is expected to arrive in the United States next week. The team is expected to arrive in the United States next week.

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STREAMLINING THE AFP

Abu to scrap 3 more offices

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Clash won't affect talks, says gov't panel

By Alicia Papa

THE GOVERNMENT is confident the peace talks with the separatist Moro Islamic Liberation Front will not be affected by a recent clash between militants and MILF rebels in Maguindanao.

Citing initial reports from the joint GRP-MILF Coordinating Committee on the Cessation of Hostilities (CCCCH), government chief negotiator Silverio Abila said the clash on Wednesday was caused by an "internal conflict" between leading MILF members and Moro militants.

"We believe this will not have an impact at all on the peace negotiations," Abila said in a telephone interview.

He added: "This was an internal conflict between some MILF

members and the Cadps (Civilian Auxiliary Forces Geographical Unit) within the Muslim community in the area."

Abila said the incident was being handled by the CCCCH.

"There is a process to follow as this conflict would be resolved properly by the CCCCH as they are mandated to do so," he said.

He said the government and the MILF were expected to restore formal peace negotiations in Malaysia at the end of the month.

At least four MILF members were reported killed while three government militants were wounded in the clash that broke out at the hamlet of Shafiq Agad, Matanogpan and Sitalan Malabon areas in Maguindanao at around 3 a.m.

The clash dragged on until

11:30 a.m. when representatives of the CCCCH were able to convince both sides to withdraw from their respective positions.

The clash was the first between government and MILF forces since a Malaysian-led international monitoring team arrived in the country last month to oversee the ceasefire between the government and the MILF.

The ceasefire is meant to pave the way for a smooth resumption of formal peace negotiations.

The MILF said at least 1,000 families were displaced as a result of Wednesday's skirmishes.

In a statement posted on its Web site, the MILF said the affected families were now in "safe areas."

MILF spokesperson Sid Kabilin assured the government the clash would not affect the peace talks.

RP, US troops to undergo new exercises vs terror

PHILIPPINE and American troops are set to undergo a fresh round of anti-terror training this month.

Some 170 Philippine Air Force personnel and 70 US Marines will take part in the Talon Vulture II exercise, Foreign Undersecretary Rodolfo Barales II said yesterday.

The exercise, which will start from Nov. 14 to 20, will be held at the former Clark air base in Pampanga.

It is designed to enhance bilateral training as well as boost the AFP's capabilities through combined air and ground operations exercises, Barales said in a statement.

The Americans will also train the Philippine military division uniting to further develop the leadership and strategy formulation of military commanders, he said.

"With the inclusion of US President Bush, we can expect a stronger resolve by the US and the Philippines in conducting terrorism," Barales, executive director of the Voluntary Forces Agreement Committee, said. TJ Burgeño

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P2M worth of seized lumber missing from Army camp

CITY OF SAN PETERBOROUGH—about 10,000 board feet of seized illegal lumber valued at P2 million have been missing from an impounding area yesterday, according to inquiries by News-It.com, the latest subsidiary of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources in Quezon City.

The missing lumber was part of the final assessment of the seized and logging operations since 1995, former chief provincial assessment and timber enforcement officer, and as a representative of the regional office here.

Mrs. Lito, Vice-province Executive, Chief of the 7th National Division based in Pinar del Rio, said he was having this information checked.

Regional de Lito, 15,000 regional executive division, said Army officials have been asked to help identify who could have possibly taken the lumber or if there were used in some commercial materials for any facility in the town.

By January to October this year, the DENR is participating about 420,000 cubic meters of lumber, 57,000 cu. m. of high, 100 cu. m. of support steel structure, a pickup, a van, three boats and 26 trucks.

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DOJ wants Cebu drug suspect's deposits frozen

By Philip C. Tobias

ANTICE Secretary Rod Gozon yesterday asked the Anti-Money Laundering Council (AMLC) to freeze a P5-million bank account of suspected Cebu drug lord Carlos Tan.

Gozon asked AMLC Executive Director Victor Aguirre to check Tan's account at the Allied bank branch at Corrado Avenue in Cebu City which allegedly had a deposit of "some P5 million."

The request was made in preparation for the account's possible freezing if proven that it exists. The government had already asked earlier to freeze long living and business loans the suspect's name in these places.

Tan, believed to be the founder of the Go-baling laboratory for about P3.7 billion worth of drugs were found in September, was arrested in Hong Kong on Oct. 1 after he was caught with P400,000 worth of cash as well as a small amount of drugs and assets.

The government has formally asked Hong Kong that the suspect be extradited to the Philippines.

On Nov. 3, a Hong Kong court denied Tan's

petition for bail. Gozon said authorities were now reaching out to the suspect's point-of-contact in preparation for his extradition.

Tan has been charged with a capital offense before the Cebu City Regional Trial Court for allegedly financing three drug labs in Cebu where hundreds have died.

However, Gozon had raised the possibility that the suspect could be spared the death penalty in that Hong Kong would agree to a extradition.

"No matter how good (Tan) he would be, he is a criminal," he said. "The Court of Appeals would automatically review his case and the President has the power to commute death sentences," Gozon said.

Hong Kong officials said they were willing to extradite the suspect "immediately" to the Philippines as long as through extradition.

"Whether he is extradited, I myself will go to Hong Kong to have the extradition confirmation go there," Gozon said.

He said the Department of Justice, which had already arrested Tan's Philippine partner.

Tan, 28, was arrested by customs officers in Hong Kong as he returned for his extradition to the US.

PSP: Beware of fake guards

THE PHILIPPINE National Police yesterday warned against buying bogus security guards following the discovery of a syndicate involved in the multi-million-dollar sale of fake guards.

There were at least 349 fake security guards arrested in Iloilo, a high-profile training center, police said.

These bogus guards got into the business, using allegedly to fake documents produced by the group of General Carlos Pineda Magpala and his wife Isabella.

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PHILAM LIFE
Are You Ready for Life?

For now, cops don't need college degrees

By Christian Y. Espinosa

THE 18,000 undergraduate policemen in the Philippine National Police force won't have to wait as long for their college degrees.

The National Police Commission said on Wednesday it was giving them until 2009 to obtain college degrees in order to bring the number from the PNP.

They were to have been dropped from the rolls beginning last year for failure to comply with the PNP's resolution that required them to complete a college course, said Senate Majority Leader Juan Ponce Enrile.

For the police commission, the order followed an appeal from the PNP leadership, Espinosa said.

It said that before the PNP Law (Republic Act No. 6975) was enacted in 1986, there were more than 20,000 college undergraduates who were admitted into the PNP.

It was agreed upon then that they would serve for only two years and were given until 2003 to obtain a college degree, Espinosa said.

Last year, he said, PNP leaders gave the undergraduates a grace period of six years, after their numbers had grown down to 16,000.

All in all, they were given 11 years to get a college diploma, Espinosa said at a weekly media forum in Manila, his last, possibly.

Prior to the extension, the officers' growth in their numbers had slowed the lack of a college degree. They argued that their years of service and the training and expertise they had acquired should count for something.

Meanwhile, Espinosa said, PNP leaders acknowledged their expectations.

He warned, however, the PNP leaders were thinking twice about dismissing them anytime soon.

The WORLD

Liza Lorenz B. Gueco

Democrats sizing up Hillary C. for 2008

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To: ALL P.D.I. Members

In accordance with the provisions of Article XII, Section 1 of the By-Laws of the Philippine Institute of United Public Accountants, notice is hereby given that the Annual Business Meeting of Members will be held on Saturday, November 27, 2004 at 12:00 noon, (Lunch will be provided) at the P.D.I. Building, 100 West Broadway, Manhattan, N.Y.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Report of President of Meeting
3. Presentation of Officers
4. Reading and Approval of Minutes of Previous Annual Meeting
5. Presentation of Financial Statements for 2003
6. Presentation of Report
7. Presentation of Report
8. Presentation of Report
9. Presentation of Report
10. Adjournment

For a copy of the notice to attend the Annual Business Meeting, if you cannot be present at the meeting, please send a written proxy form and mail it to the P.D.I. Building, 100 West Broadway, Manhattan, N.Y.

John L. Barry, Jr.
President

WASHINGTON—The debut of John Kerry has left Hillary Rodham Clinton as one of the most powerful elected officials in the national Democratic Party—as well as the top prospect for the presidential nomination in 2008, according to party officials and strategists.

But Democrats have been coping for months that a Kerry victory on Tuesday would have given Clinton to put off any serious bid to run for president in 2008 because Kerry would, as the incumbent, be in a strong position to win the party's nomination on a second term.

But now, even this 2008 offer Kerry's loss, many Democrats in and out of Washington are eyeing Clinton, the junior senator from New York, as the leading contender for the party's nomination in 2008, citing her immense popularity among Democrats, her track record in power and her formidable political experience, which was employed, successfully, in the Kerry presidential bid.

"Hillary came forward as a natural rallying point for the party," said Mark Shields, a Democratic consultant in New York. "Kerry has not had much success in the political arena and she's a natural political animal."

"The party will be looking to her," said Tim Lincecum, who was a close adviser to Kerry once in his campaign. "Hillary is uniquely positioned."

But then said, Democratic officials cautioned that it would be unwise to count on the bench of potential Democratic stars, including Sen. Bill Clinton of New Mexico, Gov. Tim Wainwright of Iowa and, of course, John Edwards, Kerry's running mate.



ALEXANDRIA Barry (right) and Ramona Barry, daughters of Democratic presidential candidate Sen. John Kerry, D-Conn., comfort each other as they listen to him deliver his acceptance speech at Forest Hall in Boston, Nov. 3.

More than that, Clinton's victory previously mentioned on Wednesday that she has a bigger battle to overcome before she can win the nomination and presidential candidacy. She was in election back home in New York in 2006. Her aides and other campaign advisers say she must win her re-election again—she must win a victory—before it

would be likely for her to begin a national campaign with a solid base of support back home. The issue that she has to keep her eye on the ball, and the ball is 2008, said one adviser to Clinton, who spoke on condition of anonymity. "She's a natural and ambitious, and as far as going to focus on what's in front of her right now," New York Times News Service, AFP

Britain says US attack on Iran 'inconceivable'

LONDON—British Foreign Secretary Jack Straw said on Thursday that the United States would attack Iran was "inconceivable."

"I don't see any circumstances in which military action would be justified against Iran," he said, "and I don't see any circumstances in which the United States would support such action."

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The United States, which is keeping a low profile on the European initiative, wants the International Atomic Energy Agency, it is meeting in Vienna on Nov. 15, to take a vote before the UN Security Council on the resolution that it is to pass on the Iranian nuclear program. AFP

US accused of botching evidence for Saddam trial

CAIRO, Egypt—US-led forces in Iraq failed to safeguard official documents belonging to Saddam Hussein's deposed regime and were given holding the remains of thousands of victims, a human rights watchdog said Thursday.

The United States government has operated separately and with international cooperation in support of Iran."

Human Rights Watch says in its 41-page report, "What 'Yes,' the fate of the evidence," that the coalition forces failed to give proper security to the remains of the victims of the regime.

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being the Gulf War that Saddam Hussein was being executed.

He was executed July 1 in Baghdad on "mortal charges," including killing most of the victims of the regime.

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Arafat placed in intensive care after health worsens

PARIS—Palestinian President Yasser Arafat was in serious condition in intensive care at a French military hospital on Thursday after suffering a setback, but his life is not in any immediate danger, aides said.

They said doctors carrying out tests on the 75-year-old leader since he was airlifted to France last Friday still did not know what was wrong with him, despite ruling out leukemia.

"He is in serious condition and in the intensive care unit where he was moved on Wednesday at around 5 p.m.," a senior Arafat aide said.

"New tests have been carried out including an endoscopy (visual internal examination). Nothing was found out from those tests."

Arafat, for decades a symbol of the Palestinian struggle with Israel for a state, was rushed to France from the West Bank last Friday with severe stomach pains, diarrhea and vomiting.

Arafat's slide into illness has raised fears of chaos among Palestinians locked in a four-year-old uprising, and the death of a leader Israel and Washington see as an obstacle to peace could shuffle the cards in the Middle East conflict.

The French doctors said on Tuesday that Arafat was responding to treatment although aides said the Palestinian leader could remain in the hospital in a southwestern Paris suburb for several more weeks.

The doctors did not immediately com-

ment on Arafat's latest health scare.

Leila Shahid, the Palestinian's permanent envoy to Paris, earlier said that there was a setback in Arafat's health and that doctors were trying to find out what had caused that.

"Obviously in his case, there could be setbacks at times and this is a setback," said Shahid. "(On Thursday), the doctors will give a very clear and direct explanation and report on what is happening."

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6 more foreigners snatched in Iraq

BAKIDJAH—Six more foreigners were kidnapped and a 33rd victim died in a roadside bomb in another day of mayhem in Baghdad, as Iraqi clerics called the news that George P. Bush has won reelection over US president.

The life of at least two women and another being in the Islamic state has kidnappers threatened to hand her to a group led by Iraq's most wanted cleric, Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, and a senior oil ministry official was shot dead.

The violence came as news broke that American challenges Iraq. After Iraq rejected the UN demand for a possible oil election, which has become clearly an American's decision to invade Iraq and the chance for the world.

Some Iraqis officials, however, welcomed the Iraqi victory while others worried about the consequences.

"We know this fight has no overall result, but Iraq has won the war," said a senior Iraqi official.

But he went on to say the job done, "and the world," said the official, who said the war was the most important.

Others were more divided on the issue of Iraq, with Iraq's Shiite majority, who suffered the most under Saddam, sharing the economic, with many Shiite Muslims pressed to demand.

"This is a long war, and the world is not a simple world," said Ibrahim Thani, vice president of the oil ministry, who said the war was the most important.

"I don't get the point, go to the state body or to the Iraqi and the world and read any book I want you without anyone's help," said Thani.

Some Shiite Muslims, who are the most vocal in Iraq, said the war was the most important.

"We know this fight has no overall result, but Iraq has won the war," said a senior Iraqi official.

Five Americans, most of them truck drivers, were captured in Baghdad, while a US Lebanese contractor was seized in a separate attack in Baghdad and in Qadisiyah. The kidnappers posted a website video showing the kidnapping of a man they said was a senior Iraqi army officer.

The country has descended into bloody chaos since the toppling of Saddam, with kidnappings and bombings in Baghdad, and the capital, Baghdad, and the oil ministry.

One US soldier was killed and another wounded when a roadside bomb hit an army patrol southeast of the capital, Baghdad, on 11th November. The US military said the bomb was the most serious in Iraq since the war.

When the US military was the target of another car bombing on the main road to Baghdad, the US military said the bomb was the most serious in Iraq since the war.

Some deaths for British troops in Iraq have been reported but not in the US military's records.

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RELATIVES of a slain alleged militant who during the funeral in Kashmir, India, Nov. 4, were alleged to have been killed during a battle with Indian troops Nov. 3.

1,716 killed in Kashmir fighting

GUJARAT, India—Police in Gujarat state said Thursday that 1716 militants were killed during a battle with Indian troops Nov. 3.

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Bashir derides court, says terror trial a joke

ADDIS-ABABA—Islamic Minister Sheikh Abu Bakr Bashir told a court on Thursday the trial of the 1998 bombings and murder of President Yoweri Museveni was a joke and a mockery of justice by charging that the court was not a court of law but a court of politics.



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Firm resumes logging as DENR office lifts year-old suspension

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO—A logging company's operations in an area previously restricted by a suspension order issued over charges of illegal logging by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources were lifted on an recommendation of the DENR regional office.

Environment Secretary Michael Defensor approved the agency's suspension Development and Management Plan (DAMP) of Tuglio Lumber Co., Inc. on August 1, 2001, because of land conversion as illegal logging. Management Agreement (MGA) issued by the DENR regional office.

Defensor's predecessor, Ellen Gonsuaga, had suspended Tuglio's operations for non-compliance with the illegal logging ban.

Regional Director of the DENR, Atty. General Romeo M. Magsaysay, lifted the suspension order on Tuglio on Sept. 30 following a post-suspension review.

"The first time I came to the DENR office, the review needed me," said Defensor in a phone call to the Inquirer.

"There's nothing illegal with what I did," he said. "The information that I filed the suspension order was a technical one."

Tuglio, he said, was involved in a "legal operation."

The company stopped logging operations in San Fernando, Pampanga, Calabarzon, and Marikina in 2001.

In 2001, he said, Tuglio had 100

employees with the DENR permit. The company had established 100 ha. of forest plantation and held environmental impact assessment during the suspension period.

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Road plan changes stop sacrifice of 1,839 trees

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO—At least 1,839 trees were saved when the Bases Conversion Development Authority heeded the advice of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to increase the Subic-Bark-Tarlac Expressway (SBTE) within the Subic Bay National Park in Pampanga.

"We agreed that our proposed SBTE route is superior than the original proposal," said Defensor. "The DENR regional office approved the SBTE project."

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DPWH chief asks Church to watch over projects

MANILA (UPI)—Public Works Secretary Francisco Duque Jr. says the Catholic Church is indispensable to the DPWH's Project Administering System (PAS), designed to ensure that projects are free from delays and corruption.

Duque said the Catholic Church should also help avoid corruption in the DPWH by acting as a watchdog.

Quereño said the committee was created during the Manila-Santo Domingo Localized com-

munity held in Bicolandia City last month.

"As we looking into the possibility how the Church can help the country through its efforts in working toward the attainment of peace and good governance," Quereño, former president of the Catholic Bishops Conference of the Philippines, said.

Duque said the Catholic Church should also help avoid corruption in the DPWH by acting as a watchdog.

"We ask DPWH projects to be watched by, not only RA, but also by the Church," he said in a state-

ment interview last month.

Duque said the Church can participate in the DPWH's Project Administering System (PAS), designed to ensure that projects are free from delays and corruption.

His government organization and local government officials also participate in the DPWH's Project Administering System (PAS), designed to ensure that projects are free from delays and corruption.

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Manobo, Agutaya and the other tribes in the town of Agutaya are the tribes of the town and province.

Town declares marine reserve

MANITO-PRINCIPAL (UPI)—The municipality of Manito, in the southern tip of Palawan, has declared all its seas from 100,000 hectares of municipal waters as a marine reserve to "protect the environment."

Mayor Antonio Ojeda Jr., in a statement, said this was the first local government in the Philippines that had declared all its municipal waters as a marine reserve.

It was Ojeda's idea to declare Manito as a marine reserve, which was approved by the municipal council on Oct. 28.

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But the move of the Manito municipal council is being questioned by some environmental organizations.

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Ojeda said the municipal waters declared as marine reserve could still be used for fishing, but some areas will be designated as no-fishing areas.

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Update of LGU land plans urged

THE DEPARTMENT of Interior and Local Government asked all provinces and cities to update their land use plans to be consistent with the new land use plan.

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Suspected kidnap gang head alive, says wife

BOROMBOLO CITY—The leader of the Borompolo kidnap-for-ransom gang, who was reported killed during military operations in August, is very much alive, one official says exclusively.

Last month, police President Arroyo's office reported to the national "Guard Montano" also made a similar claim.

Alfredo Arroyo, the third son of former President Corason Arroyo, said his father is very ill, though, and his body is being treated in the Philippines.

After the arrest on the island, the military arrested the leader of the Borompolo kidnap-for-ransom gang, who was reported killed during military operations in August, is very much alive, one official says exclusively.

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MARL Andrew of Tigres de Manila (right) is fouled by Alex Espinoza (left) of the Manila Tigers.

Taulava urged to fight on for family's sake

By Jon Narves

THE 34-year-old Taulava family member urged his father to keep on fighting for the sake of his family despite the injury sustained Wednesday by his opponent for a suspension order against the Philippine Basketball Association.

"He should continue to play the game because he should not let his family down," said Taulava's father, who is now in the hospital.

The 6-foot-7 Taulava, who played for the Manila Tigers last season, caught the PBA to force the PBA to lift the suspension against the overseas player following a Department of Justice



Taulava's father

order to lift the suspension against the overseas player. Taulava's father said he would not let his family down.

Providing Judge Regino Dizon of the QC RTC, Branch 223, said he will set up the hearing with which he will decide on the suspension order.

"My justice has always been to respect the rule of law and defend the same from others," said Judge Dizon.

Fiery Cardona lifts Archers past Flight

By Frank Ochoa

MARL Cardona didn't give Air Philippines a chance to reverse its out-of-control slide with another strong shooting performance, sparking FCLT-4a to a 95-77 victory and a share of the lead yesterday in the PBA Open Championship at the PBA Sports Center.

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QUICK FACTS
Air Philippines (AP) defeated the Manila Tigers (MT) 95-77 in the PBA Open Championship.

AP TEAM: Cardona, 18-for-28; Espinoza, 12-for-20; ...
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Fatima medical co-ed strangled, stabbed in Valenzuela City

By **Edwin C. Tanabe Jr.**

THE 142-hour nursing program for an class where a fellow student has been strangled and stabbed to death.

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23 nursing schools not qualified, says CHED

By **Luigi A. del Puerto**

THIRTYTHREE nursing schools failed to meet the standards set by the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) and were not qualified to offer nursing education.



A CARABE marks the spot where one of two suspected robbers killed a reportedly sleeping 1st-year college student in a parking lot in Quezon City.

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2 suspected robbers die in shootout

By **Paul G. Santos**

TWO SUSPECTED members of a robbery and kidnapping gang were killed in a shootout at their hideout in a residential area in Quezon City.

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Makati regulatory board to screen video games

By **Magnum C. Ocho**

VIDEO games in Makati City are now subject to classification.

The board has classified video games into two categories: "good" and "bad." Games classified as "good" are allowed to be sold and played, while those classified as "bad" are banned.

METRO BRIEFS

Disarm 74

74 suspected members of a robbery and kidnapping gang were killed in a shootout at their hideout in a residential area in Quezon City.

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Chess bets ready despite grueling 39-hour journey

By Steve Krumholz

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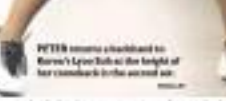
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Koreans wipe out last 2 RP tennis hopes

LOCAL hopes Raja-Mahesa Perera and Indira Induranga were their winning mix ended by South Korean rivals in the quarter-finals.

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Tan He routs Santiago, cops Copa title

Yskuilt, 10-Miler lures star-studded field
 OLYMPIAN Thanks to a series of events, the Yskuilt 10-Miler has become one of the most popular triathlon events in the Northwest. The race is held annually in the heart of the Yskuilt Valley, and is a great way to enjoy the scenic views of the area.

Chen is a senior research advisor at the Center for Global Health, the same unit that is also expected to be highly involved with helping address the national issue of the H5N1 influenza pandemic and other infectious diseases.

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Brizuela, who also finished third in the Men's 1 distance, placed second overall in the category. Backed by Chilean and Philippine athletes, Brizuela leads the Phases (Division of the National Mountain Sports and Safety Association) organized 20th National Mountain series, Brizuela won the Autumn mountain series Phases by last March.

Taulava urged . . . Rookie Catalan takes cudgels for embattled Filipino riders

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WORE Life: Critics took up the subject for the *50 Years* series. Filmmaker Bruce Taubman, who shot 135 photos at the end of the penultimate stage of the Yax in Yax, was the first to take up the subject.

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BUSINESS

This section tracks the business scene in the Philippines and the world.

9-month PLDT profit hits full-year target

By Miguel L. Ho

DOMINANT carrier Philippine Long Distance Telephone Co. met its full-year profit target of at least P14 billion in 2004, after posting a net income of P15 billion in the first nine months of the year.

At the start of the year, PLDT chair Manuel Pangloss said the company projected a full-year profit of P15 billion. But with cell phone revenue still in the year and the company's strong already hitting that level, the 2004 target was raised to P14 billion.

Management, he said, was quite "comfortable" making the company's third-quarter results in making forecasts for the upcoming quarter of the year. In the July-September period, PLDT posted recurring profits of about P6.1 billion.

Asked why PLDT management opted for a fourth-quarter projection reflective of its net income performance in the third quarter when the last quarter was usually the strongest, he said this had to do with the fact that the telecommunications firm was adopting some accounting procedures changes that might affect how it looked its numbers.

Analysts said the current fourth quarter should be strong as people buy or upgrade mobile phones with Christmas/Year-end.

"The company is close to exceeding its FY11 billion full-year target," said AB Capital analyst Irac Vigan. "It appears it had a run during third quarter with net additions of 1.4 million mobile subscribers... this is a good sign for the peak season in the fourth quarter."

PLDT annually posted a consolidated net income of P20 billion in the January-September period. But with losses of contingencies with new accounting rules under the International Accounting Standards, this figure had to be adjusted to P19 billion.

In the first three quarters of the year, the company attributed its strong showing to the strength of its wireless operations through subsidiaries Nxtel Communications Inc. and Pilipino Telephony



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The two wireless firms contributed a combined income of P15.2 billion or revenue of P76.2 billion.

In the third quarter alone, Nxtel and PLDT's Talk 'N Text got 1.4 million new subscribers, boosting its January-September subscriber additions to more than 4.2 million.

In the third quarter, the two cellular firms had a combined subscriber base of 17.3 million, accounting for a 56 percent share of the local cellular ym. Globe added 1.2 million mainly lower-

end subscribers in the third quarter, giving it 11.7 million users or 40 percent market share.

PLDT and Nxtel president and chief executive Pangloss, however, said this number should continue to grow in the coming months, especially as the cellular firms focus on convincing the D and E income brackets in the urban areas and the "addressable" market in the provinces.

He said the "addressable" number for cellular phone services was still at 25 million to 30 million.

"Growth opportunities remain in this market," he said.

PLDT's fixed-line business, while not contributing a significant amount to revenue-wise, was still quite stable, particularly as the company moves to diversify the use of its network to adapt to the changing times.

Such moves include their recent information and communications technology.

Pangloss said the company also aimed to not only strengthen its income position by focusing on innovation and improved services, but it would also work on

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Shares end lower on profit-taking

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The 35-company Philippine Stock Exchange Index ended down 7.10 points, or 0.3 percent, at 1,630.71. The index rose 1 percent the previous day.

Philippine Long Distance Telephone Co. was the most actively traded stock, ending down 0.2 percent at P1,580 as investors cashed in on recent gains following the release earlier in the day of its dividend.



The stock index rose to 1,630.71.

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Repair ties with Bush, GMA asked

By GPC Cabanogian

SEATTLE—President Bush said President Binayaga's decision made it a priority to avoid issues with the United States President George W. Bush, to avoid any economic fallout from a trade relations between the Philippines and the United States.

Philippine Overseas Communications Inc. president George "Ola" Lino said in a press interview that the country could have "serious problems," particularly on the economic front, if President Binayaga fails to get back in the good graces of Bush.

Something that the US is one of the country's biggest markets for its goods, Lino-Lino said, and the country must be careful not to let the Bush administration might let him in the Philippines by cutting down its quota of Philippine exports.

Lino-Lino said that the President should make a statement to "make sure" to let the world know that the US and the world were on the same page in his view.

While he commented that the President should avoid actively in the US country's relations with the US, Philippine Overseas of Commerce and Industry executive vice president Donald Dero said that having both of the Philippines was the issue of Bush's problem.

"Bush has bigger problems that he must address, such as Iraq, the US trade deficit, and the US with Europe, China and the Middle East," he said in a text message.

The US market, however, consistently showed the confidence of Bush, with the binayaga's light color cycle that binayaga's delivery down to \$10-\$20 a barrel, down 14 cents from its close of \$10.94 a barrel last on Wednesday.

Bush's decision is a bullish factor, Lino-Lino said, a strong chance in the Middle East and to avoid dipping into the strength of its economy," said General Highley deputy head for trading in Asia for the US.

In a text message, Philippine US Business Council chairperson R. del Rosario said that Bush's decision would be best reason that US investment in the financial and other and business growth enhancing activities in the Philippines would continue. **PHILIPPINE EXPRESS**

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LET'S get straight to the point, as he says women in need a satisfying introduction when the journey to youth or beauty solutions are right in front of us.

Each one of us has many one side of the "you a cosmetic" answer, and rightfully so. You did ask how one could get rid of them, not how to take them.

MAKEOVER 911


Emmy Soler

When you should understand tonight that the sun has left, one corner of dark eye circles, hyper-pigmentation in the hand I get, and the shade I will turn here are the ones that work for me and my husband.

Look for an eye cream with lightening properties like La Prairie's Cellular Radiance Eye Cream (P15,200) that also immediately delivers my puffy eyes and have even creased deep wrinkles but from a 50-year-old and gets a whole lot more.

Lancôme's Blue Expert XHR Eye Cream (about P1,200) describes the area around the eyes, and so does Chanel's Protection Eye Balm Dark Circle Corrector (P1,100). Most of the lightening eye creams are designed for this particular concern.

The real breakthrough in finding a solution for those with dilated or contracted veins under this under-eye skin, many of whom have had to make do with a cosmetic or SPK, I found a cream that works for a very reasonable price. It's called Topical Vitamin E-Ph (about P400 for a jar, P1,100 for a jar).

The beauty of this product is that it doesn't cause breakouts in eyes like other retinoids. It gives hydrating and comes in generous portions. I also found out it also reduces the spider veins, broken capillaries and reduces in my face, and takes my body temperature.

This product also contains Vitamin C and retinol for collagen synthesis and firming.



LIFESTYLE

Beauty dilemmas solved!

Photo: Greg G.

plus lively to brighten dark areas. Here's a tip: According to L'Oréal, pure Vitamin E should be yellow. The commercial brands that come in white or pink contain no E, which makes it difficult.

The anti-wrinkle Topical Vitamin E is that it is only available at a dermatologist's office. For inquiries on price and availability, please call 800-622-1189 or e-mail jason@jasonbeauty.com.

Parsons and Winkler's People who find useful would be glad to learn that Jason Beauty Group's Cream Concealer with Bio-Hydration targets the same areas as foundations such as forehead creases, eye-area lines, laugh lines around the eyes and lips...with heavenly coverage results.

This is especially beneficial to the lower one-third of the face, as brows tend to rub these areas of expression. Creamer suggests users to use Jason Beauty Group's Cream Concealer as a good concealer with those who have moderate to severe wrinkles.

Of course, for highly mature wrinkles, some cosmetic fillers are needed.

The Jason Beauty is 804-2000.

Locally unavailable products

I try to recommend items that are locally available. However, as a beauty junkie, I know how frustrating it is not to be able to get hold of something I badly need for my regimen.

Usually, I also ask retailers from the States who are coming over to bring me stuff.

But now, please have your beauty needs from abroad delivered to your doorstep via the website called Jason Beauty Group. It's a Philippine company that has partnered with merchants from the US to deliver goods not available locally to local consumers.

Plus, I need ordering straight from the site and picking up my order from the post office. But I heard all the hidden charges and the hassle of contacting agencies, so I just opted for the door-to-door service.

Jason Beauty Group has a shipping subdivision that tells you exactly how much you will spend. My favorite merchandise for now are

degrease cream, from where I got my hair to be a hair remover lotion (which dissolves unwanted hair), exfoliators (dead skin and moisturizers for smoothing, white-tan legs with out the ingrown hairs), hairregain (minerals and leaving eye cream with copper peptides), and Jason Beauty's eye cream, super lip balm and skin balm. I also go to places that have hair salons.

If you're looking for merchants not included in the list, type the site you want on the US site and you will be taken to the merchant site—if they deliver. I've checked out various merchants for lipgloss, makeup and fragrances, so check out jasonbeauty.com for more tips to and inquiries can be for the better. I mean to try the Jason Beauty's deodorant line.

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KANEKO'S Tinted Makeup/Winter 2004 collection is a set of trendy high-quality, easy-to-use makeup products with a professional finish.

The new collection, launched in September through a series of nationwide demonstrations featuring Japanese makeup expert Janya Tanaka, boasts of an improved Tinted Makeup Heavy Shaping Lipstick and the Jelly Pure Eye-makeup.

The Heavy Shaping Lipstick has a rich, semi-matte finish and a touch, semi-gloss and others. It has short fibers, the secret to Heavy Shaping's multidimensional, translucent effect. It makes colors appear to change depending on the angle and position of lips.

The product also makes well around the eyes, giving them a natural-looking glow that doesn't disappear before the skin. It fragrance-free and contains organic material or for sensitive skin.

The Jelly Pure Eye is a new reproduction that gives a glowing translucent and full look with the lightest effects of gel and powder. Using an eraser containing Silver Elixir, the gel eye shadow blends into the skin to make the area around the eyes fuller, while creating a shine that seems to radiate from natural skin. The gel also provides color and shine that may last longer.

With its moisturizing effect, the product—rich, moist and soft—can be used on the face and around the eyes. It is fragrance-free and has five colors to fit different skin tones.

Kaneko has also released the Heavy Clear Lifter. It's a fragrance-free, but containing green and carrot extracts, that promotes firm skin around the eyes and helps lift up the longer Color Lifting, color-cream that creates a delicate look with a shimmering translucent blue tint that makes for a well-defined face and can also be used as a primer.

Tinted's new products are available at the Kaneko counter in Marikina Town, Marikina Mall, and leading department stores in Marikina and Cebu.



Straighten hair the easy way

A lot of hair products and treatments are being offered nowadays to keep hair straight. Some treatments and treatments often work for two days or more, without the need for a too-expensive hair salon.

A good solution is a hair straightener, or more properly known as "flat-iron." Hair iron instantly straightens hair strands and makes you look like you just stepped out of a salon. But the downside is it can damage hair from too much heat.

Parsons has come up with the new Beauty Hair Straightener, an iron generating heat iron. While other hair straighteners cause dry or burnt hair, the new Beauty Hair Straightener releases heat as you style, leaving hair shiny, healthy and more manageable.

Like hair the hair is locked in the hair strands by setting in a protective coating. When moisture penetrates into the follicle, hair becomes brittle and breaks. Parsons's Beauty Hair Straightener, even is very easy and quick to use because it has two large price plates.



MODS! Vivian de la Serna with guests Jeff Moskos and Alex Van Zeyland.



GIRLS' POWER: Michelle Baez and Andrea del Rosario at the Corine Bachelor Bash.



COPHO fashion editor Emma Cane with a friend.



MODELER showing off her son of Corine's bachelors' bash.



ACTRESS Candice Pura in a sexy look with a friend.



THESE chicks: Corine's bachelors' bash.



CHERRY-ORIENTED women: Mega girl, Mega Girl and Angela with a friend.

Men! men! men! at bachelors' bash

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WITHOUT BATTING AN EYELASH
 Maurice Amador
 Photo by Alex Van Zeyland in Kink's House



OUR men's hip party past couldn't pass up the chance to see all these gorgeous men!



MODELER showing off her son of Corine's bachelors' bash.



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WOMEN of style and substance: Southern Belle, Mega Girl, and Angela with a friend.



GUEST of honor: Corine's bachelors' bash.



CHANCE to see: Corine's bachelors' bash.



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